Historic, Archive Document

Do not assume content reflects current scientific knowledge, policies, or practices.

MAY 21 1940
AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE

Weekly Prairie Review — Kansas City, Mo., May 21, 1940

PRAIRIE MARKET DULL AT KANSAS CITY; FAIRLY ACTIVE IN PRODUCING AREAS.

Kansas City Market

Seasonal dullness in prairie trade continued at Kansas City during the week ending May 20, according to the Agricultural Marketing Service. Only two cars were shown on the open market. One was disposed of to local feeding interests and the other was shipped on an outside order. Volume of demand, as a whole, was very limited, reflecting good green feed conditions and the tendency of all classes of buyers to await new crop hay supplies. Local feeding interests reported light cattle marketings, and their resultant light feeding requirements were being cared for by direct deliveries of prairie hay on contracts. Nominal quotations at Kansas City were unchanged, with the only sale reported during the week consisting of a car of No. 2 at $8.50 per ton.

Interior Producing Point Markets

Truckers transported a fair volume of prairie from producing point markets in eastern Kansas. A number of trailer loads moved to Wichita and points west and scattered loads were consigned to Ottawa and the Kansas City district. No movement by rail was reported. An increasing number of growers were reporting heavy weed growth in prairie meadows, due to liberal spring rains and cool weather.

With virtually all old crop alfalfa disposed of and pasturage later than normal, due to early spring drought, a fairly good local feeding demand in the Platte Valley was being cared for by prairie hay. This has resulted in a material reduction in the supplies of wild hay in that section, which earlier had indicated a liberal carryover.

Current quotations at Kansas City, basis U. S. Standards, are as follows:

UPLAND PRAIRIE
(Per ton)

No. 1 $8.50-9.00	No. 3 $5.50-7.50
No. 2 8.00-8.50	Sample 4.00-5.50

Distributed by Branch Market News Office, Agricultural Marketing Service,
325 U. S. Court House, Kansas City, Mo., Don E. Rogers, Local Representative.

LIBRARY